for repair and renovation of jail buildings and for providing medical facilities in jails.

Production of Drugs in IDPL and HAL

1744. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of production of drugs in the IDPL and the HAL and their subsidiaries during each of the last three years;

(b) the details of losses suffered by these units during the said period; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make up these losses ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) to (c) The details are being collected and they would be laid on the Table of the House.

Modernisation of Fertilizer Plants

1745. SHRI NARAYAN ATHAWALAY :
SHRI N.J. RATHWA :

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) the details of fertilizer plants modernised and the capacity raised thereof during the last three years, statewise;

(b) the details of expenditure incurred on the action plan for modernisation of the fertilizer plants, plantwise/ statewise/yearwise;

(c) the details of fertilizer plants for which modernisation plan is under consideration of the Government, Statewise;

(d) whether the foreign technology has been used/being used in their modernisation process;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the latest position in this regard;

(f) whether NFL has managed to secure financial support for meeting the working capital requirement development needs through Government/Banking institutions/ other organisations; and

(g) if so, the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) to (g) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Fertilizer Units

1746. SHRI SHATRUGHAN PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Japanese company has sought guarantee from the Central Government for the revival of Barauni, Durgapur and Namrup fertilizer plants; and

(b) if so, the justification for not giving guarantee to the Japanese company for the revival of the sick fertilizer plants in the interest of farmers ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) and (b) A preliminary offer has been received from the Export and Import Bank of Japan for participating in the revamp of Barauni, Durgapur and Namrup units of Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation Limited (HFC). The conditionalities of the proposed financial assistance which, include a Government guarantee, require further examination.

Illegal Immigrants

1747. DR. Y.S. RAJA SEKHARA REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of illegal immigrants from Bangladesh in the country;

(b) whether the Government have taken up the matter of their deportation with the Government of Bangladesh; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) It is difficult to estimate the exact number of infiltrators from Bangladesh because they enter surreptitiously and are able to mingle easily with the local population due to ethnic and linguistic similarities.

(b) and (c) The interception/apprehension of unauthorised Bangladesh migrants and their deportation to Bangladesh is an on-going process. The matter has been taken up with the Government of Bangladesh at various levels from time to time.

Shahtoosh Trade

1748. SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS :
SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI :

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether trading in Shahtoosh is banned in the country except in Jammu & Kashmir;

(b) if so, whether despite the ban Shahtoosh trade is mushrooming day by day;

(c) if so, the details of seizure of items of raw Shahtoosh made during 1994 to December, 1996; and

(d) the action being taken against the illegal traders ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Although some cases of attempted smuggling and trade of raw Shahtoosh and Shahtoosh items have been detected, it is not a fact that the trade of Shahtoosh is mushrooming day by day. Between January 1994 and